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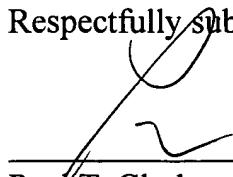
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions that the period for filing the Appeal Brief be extended for five months to and including May 16, 2001.

Enclosed is a check for \$945.00 for the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). If there are any other charges, or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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